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How to change rear brake pads on **AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF)** – replacement guide

SIMILAR VIDEO TUTORIAL



This video shows the replacement procedure of a similar car part on another vehicle

Important!

This replacement procedure can be used for:
AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF) 2.0 TDI, AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF) 1.4 TFSI, AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF) 2.0 TDI quattro, AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF) 1.8 TFSI, AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF) 1.6 TDI, AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF) S3 quattro, AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF) 1.8 TFSI quattro, AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF) 1.2 TFSI, AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF) 1.4 TFSI g-tron, AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF) 1.4 TSI, AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF) 2.0 TFSI, AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF) 1.6 TDI quattro, AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF) 1.4 TFSI e-tron, AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF) 1.0 TFSI, AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF) 2.0 TFSI quattro, (+ 9)

The steps may slightly vary depending on the car design.

This tutorial was created based on the replacement procedure for a similar car part on: VW Golf VII Hatchback (5G1, BQ1, BE1, BE2) 1.8 TSI

REPLACEMENT: BRAKE PADS – AUDI A3 SPORTBACK (8VA, 8VF). TOOLS YOU NEED:



- Wire brush
- Nylon cleaning brush
- Brake cleaner
- Anti-squeal paste
- Ceramic grease
- Torque wrench
- Combination spanner #13
- Combination spanner #17
- Drive socket # 13
- Wheel impact socket #17
- Brake caliper wind back tool
- Crow bar
- Wheel chock

Buy tools

Replacement: brake pads – AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF). Tip from AUTODOC:

- Perform the replacement of brake pads in complete set for each axis. This provides effective braking.
- The replacement procedure is identical for all brake pads on the same axle.
- Please note: all work on the car – AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF) – should be done with the engine switched off.

CARRY OUT REPLACEMENT IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

1 Open the bonnet. Unscrew the brake fluid reservoir cap.



2 Secure the wheels with chocks.

3 Loosen the wheel mounting bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17.



4 Raise the car.

Replacement: brake pads – AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF). Tip from AUTODOC:

- If you are using a jack, make sure it rests on a flat surface without any unevenness.
- Be sure to additionally secure the car with jack stands.

5 Unscrew the wheel bolts.



AUTODOC recommends:

- Warning! To avoid injury, hold the wheel while unscrewing the fastening bolts. AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF)

6 Remove the wheel.



7 Clean the brake caliper fasteners. Use a wire brush. Use a brake cleaner.



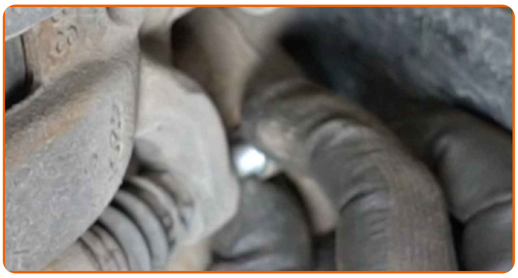
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- Replacement: brake pads – AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF). After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.

8 Unscrew the brake caliper fasteners. Use a combination spanner #13. Use a combination spanner #17.



9 Remove the fastening bolts.



10 Remove the brake caliper. Use a crowbar.



Replacement: brake pads – AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF). AUTODOC experts recommend:

- Tie the caliper to the suspension or to the body with a wire without disconnecting from the brake hose to prevent depressurization of the brake system.
- Make sure that the brake caliper is not hanging on the brake hose.
- Don't press the brake pedal after the brake caliper has been removed. As a result, the piston can fall out from the brake cylinder, and brake fluid leakage and depressurization of the system may occur.

11 Remove the brake pads. Use a crowbar.

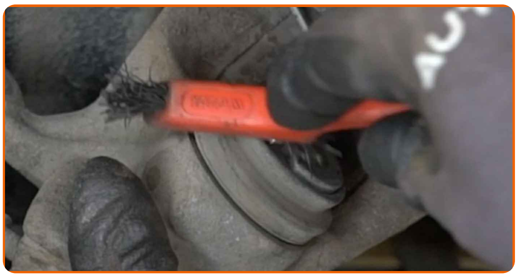


Replacement: brake pads – AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF). Tip from AUTODOC:

- Measure the brake disc thickness. Upon reaching the wear limit the part must be replaced.

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Treat the brake caliper piston. Use a nylon cleaning brush. Use a brake cleaner.



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Press in the brake caliper piston. Use brake caliper wind back tool.



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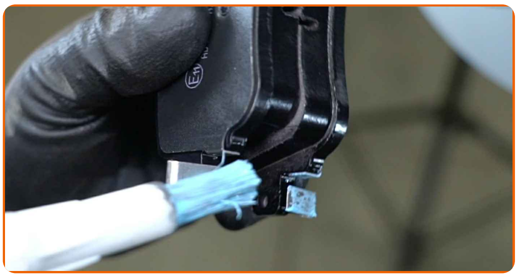
Clean the brake caliper bracket from dirt and dust. Use a wire brush. Use a brake cleaner.



AUTODOC recommends:

- After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.

15 Treat the brake pads in the area where their surface comes into contact with the brake caliper bracket. Use anti-squeal paste.



AUTODOC recommends:

- Make sure the disc surface is clean before installing the pads.

16 Install new brake pads.



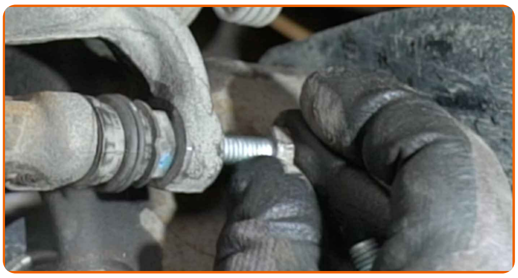
Replacement: brake pads – AUDI A3 Sportback (8VA, 8VF). AUTODOC recommends:

- Check the brake caliper bracket, brake caliper guide pins and boots. Clean them. Replace, if necessary.

17 Install the brake caliper and fix it.



18 Install the fastening bolts.



19 Tighten the brake caliper fasteners. Use a drive socket #13. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 35 Nm torque.



20 Clean the wheel rim mounting seat. Use a wire brush.



21 Treat the surface where the brake disc contacts the wheel rim. Use ceramic grease.



22 Clean the brake disk surface. Use a brake cleaner.



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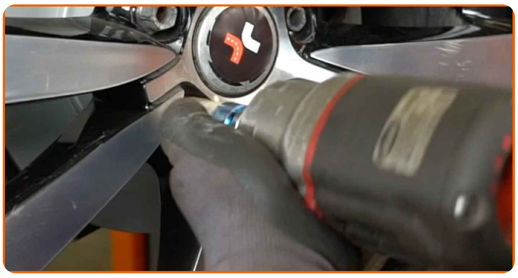
23 Install the wheel.



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24 Screw in the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17.



25 Lower the car and working in a cross order, tighten the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 120 Nm torque.



26 Remove the jacks and chocks.



AUTODOC recommends:

- Without starting the engine, press the brake pedal several times until you feel significant resistance.
- Check the brake fluid level in the expansion tank and refill if necessary.

27 Tighten the brake fluid reservoir cap. Close the hood.



AUTODOC recommends:

- Slow down smoothly for first 150-200 km after the brake pads replacement. Avoid unneccessary and sharp braking to a stop.

WELL DONE!

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